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ON COMMERCIAL FISHING

By M. MACCAGNO

After a great deal of time and research given to the study of fish and thereby fishing in the Province of Alberta, we are today in a better position of being able to arrive at some very interesting and fairly definite conclusions:

For instance; we know that water level is a very important factor in fish conservation.

Low water will encourage weed growth. Excessive weed growth will consume more and more of the necessary life-giving oxygen especially as it rots under the ice during the winter months when the supply cannot be replentished until the spring thaw.

In period of low water the gravel bars upon which our whitefish and tulibee spawn will freeze solid, thus destroying the potential crop of these two varities of very important fish.

High winds in fall and spring are nature's way of replentishing the oxygen supply at time when it is most needed, just before freeze up and immediately following spring thaw.

We also know that the whitefish and the tulibee are a cold water fish and will be found at the deeper spots in our lakes and will therefore be the first casualties of oxygen deficiency, on the other hand the pike inhabits shallow water and is therefore the last to be affected by this cause.

It is further interesting to note that our whitefish . . . the most important of our commercial fish and the tulibee, the most important source of animal food follow a pretty definite production pattern, suggesting a cycle such as is found in our wild life. These fish seem to increase in numbers . . . to reach a peak and then decline, only to start a gradual climb again, and this in such regular pattern that a very definite cycle is suggested. It is interesting and mystifying when we note the same pattern cannot be applied to the pickerel. The pickerel may be found in unlimited quantities one year and then suddenly disappear for a year or two or three and then just as suddenly re-appear without any relation to rhyme or reason. The pickerel is absolutely unpredictable . . . . where he comes from or where he goes . . . your guess is as good as mine.

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Complete Pipe Raising Project

LAC LA BICHE — Bert Troyer of Smoky Lake came over last week with equipment for raising the 10-inch steel pipe which takes the town's water supply from the lake. The pipe was raised off the bottom of the lake and a specially designed block of concrete and fir was placed under the pipe.

It is expected that the improvement will elimnate the difficulties which were experienced when the intake pipe was partially imbedded in the sand on the bottom of the lake.

Well Proves Dry Of Oil

BERNY — Responsible for the large number of visitors here this past month was the well for oil then being drilled.

The well, dug to a depth of about 5,000 feet, proved a dry hole as far as oil was concerned. However, in drilling, the drillers went through 900 feet of salt, and also found other minerals.

The drillers and their equipment are now in Rich Lake to dig another well.

Northern Trucker Is Found Dead

Raymond Gauthier, 21, of Plamondon, died in the cab of his truck believed overcome by carbon monoxide fumes, in the Fort Smith area according to RCMP report.

According to police, the youth was driving between Fort Smith and Fort Fitzgerald when he apparently was overcome by the deadly fumes. Police said they believe a faulty exhaust was to blame for the death. An inquest has been ordered.

The youth is survived by his father Clifford Gauthier of Plamondon, in the Lac la Biche district.

N. W. SVELKA of Willingdon who was chosen CCF candidate for the federal constituency of Athabasca at a recent meeting.

Young People's Club Formed

LAC LA BICHE — Due to the need for recreational facilities for young people, an organization has been formed which is known as the Lac la Biche Recreational Organization.

The aim of the club, which is not sectarian, is to provide proper recreation for young people between the ages of 16 and 26, and an appeal is being made to all those in that age range to attend.

Reports are that co-operation from different leaders nad parents in the town has been encouraging. The meetings, which are under adult supervision, are held each Friday evening commencing at 8:30 in the Masonic Hall.

Officers of the organization are Ron Lloyd, president; Eddie Pruss, vice-president; Natalie Salahub, secretary; Dennis Terrian, treasurer; Roy Belanger, club reporter; Doris Cadieux, social convener.

Delegates Report On Convention At Meeting Of ATA Sub-Local

LAC LA BICHE — An important meeting of the Lac la Biche sub-local, Alberta Teachers' Association, was held in the Dr. Swift School, March 23, with over 30 teachers from all parts of the Division in attendance.

Floyd McMillan, principal of the Lac la Biche schools, was chairman of the meeting. The main item of business was adoption of the constitution. H. Senetza and Paul Piquette, who were delegates to the salary negotiating meeting held in the city March 9, gave their report on the subject.

The forthcoming track meet which will be held later in the spring was the subject of much discussion, and several changes will be made, which it is hoped will be an improvement over methods used in former years. Suggestions were also made concerning the Institute to be held in the fall. A workshop will be held at that time, when some of the teachers will give a demonstration of some phase of their work. A Career Day is being planned for the high schools.

The teachers' convention will be held in October in the city as it was last year. Meeting with the Lac la Biche Division will be teachers from Westlock, Smoky Lake, Wetaskiwin and Stony Plain.

At the close of the meeting a delicious lunch of pie a la mode and coffee was served by the Lac la Biche teachers.

Sponsor Dance To Raise Funds

The ladies of Christ Church, Wandering River recently sponsored a dance and fish pond in order to raise funds for the church.

An orchestra made up of Victor Strembitski, Elmer Strembitsky and Martin Sundlie provided the music. The musicians donated their time to the church.

Congratulations are due to Mrs. Metro Watamaniuk and her group of ladies who raised nearly $40 with this project.

Population Increases In Lac la Biche

The population of the town of Lac la Biche at March 30 stood at 1,157, according to statistics collected by Mrs. I. Tatum.

Mrs. Tatum has made a thorough job of tabulating the names, together with the lot and block location of all men, women and children presently residing within the boundaries of the town.

These figures are some 200 higher than the last count, taken at the time of census-taking for the Dominion Government in June of 1956.

Frains

Joanna and Helen Nahorney accompanied Fred and Rose Nahorney to Edmonton for the weekend.

John Pisarawski is working in Mike Dumas' camp.

When you'll admit you have a lot to learn, you've learned a lot.

47 Inches Ice Record

LAC LA BICHE — Depth of the ice on the lake here has now reached what is claimed to be a record of 47 inches. Old-timers are predicting a late break-up for the lake. Last year the ice went out in late May, but some think it will take until June to melt the almost four feet of solid, clear ice this year.

$235 Gained For Red Cross

ATMORE — A bingo and supper, held recently in Grassaland Hall, obtained $235 for the Red Cross Society.

The event was made possible by the combined efforts of all district groups.

CANADA LEADS IN MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH

Canada's bold and diversified research into mental illness has aroused world interest, reports Ben Rose in this week's issue of the Star Weekly.

Medical research groups in centres right across the country are tackling problems which surround the whole field of mental illness and under national health grants Canada is spending $500,000 a year in research work alone in an effort to unlock the secrets of diseases which attack the mind.

One of these projects which in particular has aroused interest in many parts of the world is that of a group in Saskatchewan led by Dr. Humphrey Osmond and Dr. Abram Hoffer. They were among the first to advance the theory that schizophrenia (split personality), a general term which covers about half of all mental illness in Canada, is covered by a chemical upset in the bodies of the patient.

The Saskatchewan group believes that the offending chemical is a derivative of adrenalin They are on the hunt for drugs which will counteract this substance and correct the abnormality they believe is causing the disease.

The implications of this research are tremendous. It has already sparked a new surge of interest in schizophrenia and allied research is going on at Montreal and in British Columbia as well as in the United States and England. And this is only part of the scientific interest in research today in Canada and elsewhere.

Ben Rose is a Star Weekly staff writer who specializes in medical subjects and his article in this week's issue of the Star Weekly comprises an authorative report of Canada's work in an important field of medical science.

A HAVEN IN RED CROSS CAMPS—Refugee camps in Austria do not have all the comforts of our homes but a Red Cross blanket on a straw-covered floor means rest to this mother and child after a long and weary trip across the Hungarian border. By May 1, 98% of all Hungarian refugees will be under Red Cross care in refugee camps, four of which are maintained by the Canadian Red Cross. Supplies valued at more than $100,000 have been provided by the Women's Work Committee and the Junior Red Cross to aid refugees abroad while Red Cross branches throughout Canada have undertaken programs for refugee welfare. Your support of the Red Cross, campaign for funds means new hope to those who have lost all the hope they once had.

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Mrs. Lavallee Passes Away

Funeral services for Mrs. Alfred (Elizabeth) Lavallee of Kikino, who passed away at Lac la Biche Hospital, March 22, were held at the Lac la Biche Mission.

She leaves her husband; four daughters, Mrs. Shader of Edmonton, Mrs. Bellerose, Mrs. Cermack and Mrs. J. Bellerose of Lac la Biche Mission; and one son, Cyprien, Kikino.

Her four sons-in-law, with Hilaire Ladouceur and Louis Lavallee were pallbearers. Interment was in Lac la Biche Mission cemetery.

St. Andrew's Choir Special Feature At Rich Lake Church

The boys' and girls' choir of St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Lac la Biche journeyed south on Sunday afternoon to Rich Lake to help with the Anglican services in that community.

Vested in their new cassocks and surplices which had just been completed by members of St. Andrew's WA in Lac la Biche, the choir made a very fine appearance. In addition to leading in the musical parts of the service the choir also sang two anthems 'Holy Spirit Hear Us' by Parker and 'Advent tells us Christ is near' by Stewart.

Members of the choir who made the trip included Clara and Nita Senetza, Beverley Chester, James Chester, Joyce Whitford, Ruby Warawa, Gerald Warawa, Wilbert Whitford, Orville Franchuk and Gregory Coast. Mrs. R. S. H. Greene is organist and choir director.

Despite the muddy roads, there was a larger congregation than threre had been since the Christmas Eve communion service.

After the service the choir received many favorable comments from the members of the congregation. The visit was sponsored by the church building committee which announced that the canvass for funds would continue this week. The great need for a church was emphasized at this service when many were forced to sit on lumber which was brought into the school and placed on firewood logs. Pastor of the church is the Rev. R. S. H. Greene of Lac la Biche.

Air Traffic Officer

EDMONTON — Katherine (Kitty) McLean Wood of Edmonton was granted Monday a licence as an area air traffic controller for the Edmonton district, becoming the first woman in Canada to obtain this licence.

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DISTRICT AGRICULTURIST NOTES

By J. S. LORE

Soil loss through wind and water erosion can be rduced appreciably in western Canada through trash cover farming. H. W. Leggett of the Regina Experimental Farm, Canada Department of Agriculture, says this is especially true in areas devoted entirely to grain production.

Plant residue maintained on the soil surface will not only prevent erosion but will reduce moisture loss through lowered evaporation and by increasing the water-holding capacity of the soil.

This practice, however, although absolutely necessary, does present handling and fertility problems. Plant residue left on the soil surface must eventually be decomposed by micro-organisms. Therefore, in a soil conservation program of this nature, erosion control practices must be in harmony with the biological activity of the soil.

In other words, if there is a light crop, little or no fall tillage will be necessary to facilitate the decomposition of the trash but if the crop is heavy, tillage may be necessary. It will assist in breaking down the plant residue and still leave enough on the surface to prevent erosion.

There is some evidence that a heavy concentration of trash in the soil will depress the fertility of the soil temporarily by reducing the amountof available nitrates. This condition can be taken care of through the application of commercial fertilizer.

Although there has been sufficient evidence that trash cover farming is beneficial in all soils of western Canada, proper management must be emphasized. If full use is made of available plant residue in conjunction with approved cultural, commercial fertilizers and leguminous crops, western farmers can feel assured that they are following a sound agricultural program which will pay big dividends over the years to come.

Rich Lake

The many lights on the large oil derrick drilling on the A. Waine farm are clearly visible for many miles. They expect to be drilling for several weeks.

Several farmers report losing cattle from blackleg.

Leo Waine, a roughneck at McMurray has been visiting his parents at Rich Lake for the past two weeks.

The nurse from the Athabasca Health Unit has immunized the pre-school and most of the school children for polio.

Pamondon Bay

On Sunday, March 24 Donald Strattan celebrated his 13th birthday. A number of people were present, games were played and lunch was served.

On March 26 Freddie Frederick celebrated his birthday. A number of friends were present at the birthday supper when a cake complete with 18 candles highlighted the occasion.

The lumber camp north of Wandering River has closed. Men from the district employed there have returned to their homes.

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FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONS Carol Heiss, left, of Ozone Park, N.Y., and David Jenkins, Colorado Springs, Colo., who won the ladies and men's free skating titles recently in the North American figure skating championships at Rochester.

SEATED AMONG her radio gadgets in Morton, Pa., is Mrs. Mary Burke who has been declared winner of an amateur radio award for public service. She is well known for voluntarily handling some 3,000 messages a month in Morse code, many from far-flung outposts. As "Ham of the Year" she will receive a cup and $500. Mrs. Burke is the first woman to win the award.

THE RCAF took possession of the first of 11 flight simulators being built by Canadian Aviation Electronics in Montreal, recently, when the Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe and Air Marshal C. R. Slemon journeyed to the plant to take official delivery. The Simulators are designed to duplicate on the ground the overall performance of a CF-100 twin-jet in the air, thus cutting losses in aircraft and personnel in actual flying conditions. The Canadian simulator is the most advanced ground training device being manufactured in the world. In the photo at left, C. D. Howe wears a head set, which links him with the trainee in the cockpit of the simulator, during a demonstration of the unit. At right, Air Marshal Slemon and Mr. Howe watch the simulator in action.

NORMAN HARTNELL, the Queen's dressmaker, turns classic with this elegant multi-tucked, beautifully draped white jersey gown for gala evening wear. Grecian in motif, it is strapless, fluid and decorated with a now-you-see-it-now - you - don't panel of gold embroidery.

TO CELEBRATE SHROVE TUESDAY this youngster thought he would practice the pancake flip. He managed to get the pancake into the air without trouble but it just wouldn't drop back into the pan. Oh well, it makes a cut hat.

We Announce . . .

The following births in St. Catherine's hospital, Lac la Biche: Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dube, Plamondon, boy, March 25; Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Dolphus Gauthier, Plamondon, girl, March 25; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Assif, Lac la Biche, girl, March 26; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dakin, Atmore, boy, March 26; Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Giacobbo, Venice, girl, March 27; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Zalewsky, Hylo, girl, March 28; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kanarek, Spruce Valley, a girl.

Gourin

Edmond Ulliac, Mr. Frank and Laurent Ulliac motored to Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Charest were weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ulliac.

Mrs. Germain Routheir stayed with Mrs. Joe Cloutier while Mrs. Cloutier was ill.

Mr. Boucher was in the district for the Catholic Action Organization.

Lucian Ulliac and Gerald Grenier are home after working two months in the northern camps.

John Garnier is returning to his home after spending the winter with George Bourassa.

Two Given Pins At HSA Meeting

SPRUCE VALLEY — The regular meeting of the Grassland Home and School Association was held in the Grassland School, March 20, with 49 members present.

Mr. Jenkins read the Grassland HSA constitution, drawn up by Mr. Macneil.

Walter Ilnicki, school trustee, was asked to present Vera Sawchyn and Mary Hula with honorary pins for their outstanding achievement in their school work in Grade IX during the year.

Honorary president, Mr. Gault of Athabasca, superintendent of schools, was the guest speaker for this evening. Introduced to the members by Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Gault spoke mainly on the recent trends of education.

The meeting adjourned with the serving of a delicious lunch and usual group discussions.

Berny

Alphonse and Oscar Duperron also Paul Menard were home from camp over the week-end.

Cecile and Laurette Menard were home for a few days from Lac la Biche in the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gaudet are enjoying a holiday in Edmonton.

Mrs. Charles Gaudet is a patient in St. Catherine's Hospital in Lac la Biche.

Robert Duperron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Duperron, is in St. Catherine's Hospital in Lac la Biche.

Mrs. Louis Lemay went to Edmonton with her son-in-law and daughter to visit her father, who is in hospital.

Maurice Menard was a patient in St. Catherine's Hospital for a few days.

Ernest Cadieux, farmer in the Ayls district, has been sawing lumber for farmers in this vicinity.

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Bayview

Mr. and Mrs. Kachuk, daughters Jenny and Agnes, Ted Marcanco and Dave Walk visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Dohanuik last weekend.

Roland Plamondon and Gene, Waterways, made a recent trip to this district.

Mrs. Pauline Mischuk spent a week with her sister, Mrs. M. Barranoik of Boyle.

All small children of this district were vaccinated for infantile paralysis in Plamondon by Mrs. Piquette, district nurse.

Mrs. J. Plamondon is now in Edmonton where she is taking medical treatment.

Caslan

Elmer Johnson has been a patient in the Lac la Biche Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Cherniwchan and family, and Mr. and Mrs. N. Wolansky visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Groves of Boyle last Saturday.

A card party was held at the Caslan School, March 23. The Greek Orthodox Ladies' Club served tea and lunch during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wolansky vent to St. Paul to visit their son, Willard, who is employed there.

The public nurse was at the Colony and Caslan schools giving the children polio vaccine.

Alex Gordon, Sr. made a brief call at Caslan recently. He has returned to Edmonton after a trip to Ontario.

Nick Krywko has returned home after being away working during the winter.

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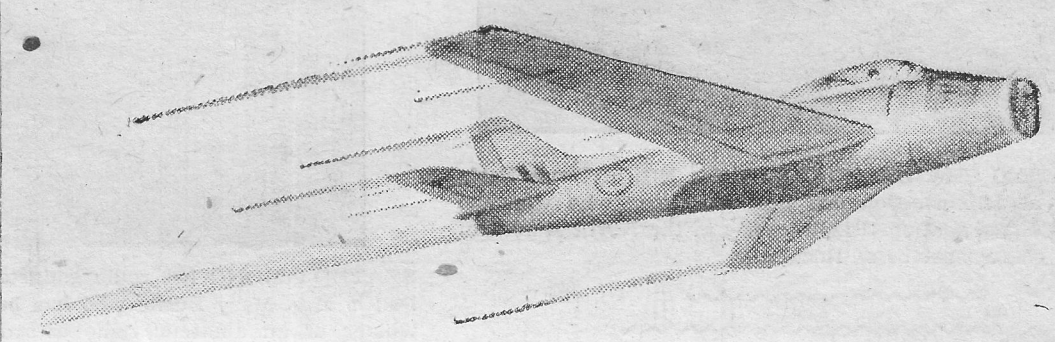

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ON COMMERCIAL FISHING

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We find further that cropping a lake, that is fishing out a yearly, regulated quantity of fish, tends to improve rather than deplete it. Closing down a lake completely for a number of years is not necessarily beneficial.

With all this before us, with programs of restocking of our lakes and streams etc., I believe that our lakes are staging a comeback, yet in spite of this however, the plight of the commercial fisherman has gone from bad to worse until today we find the question asked: Just who is the commercial fisherman?

Picking up a summary of the commercial fishing regulations we find that the fee of $5.00 per lake license is issued to resident British subjects 16 years of age or over. This license allows the owner the use of 6 gill nets having a total length of not over 600 yards. Regulations limit the catch, the season and the area in which the fisherman may place his nets.

The following figures may prove of interest. The total catch in 1949-50 was 6,284,060 lbs. as against 9,084,966 lbs. in 1955-56 or 2431 lbs. per license in 1949-50 as against 1693 lbs. per license in 1955-56.

In production dollars the figure is $377,114.44 in 1949-50; $751,574.-96 in 1955-56.

Royalty is paid on export fish as follows: Whites and lake trout 1c per lb.; pickerel and Perch, ½c per lb. This royalty amounted to $22,954.00 in 1954; $27,181.00 in 1955; $24,560.00 in 1956.

In spite of the raise in price of fish, the value per license rate has gone down from $146.00 per license in 1949-50 to $140.08 in 1955-56 and therein lies our problem.

Who is the Commercial Fisherman

Surely, the purchase of a $5.00 license does not give one the status of a commercial fisherman, and recent events I am sure pretty well prove this. In my constituency I find that the average fisherman will fish in as many as 10 lakes annually during the winter and summer months of the year. A number of these fishermen will employ a helper who will also purchase a license allowing an additional 600 yards of net. These licenses being sold on the basis of $5.00 per lake per man will cost the fisherman as much as $100.00 per season. Today, with better roads leading up to some of these smaller lakes which have been restocked and carefully supervised, we find people by the hundred's flocking in with a fisherman's license entitling he or she to set 600 yards of net. These last as far as I can calculate, are not commercial fishermen. There livelihood does not depend on fishing, they fish mainly for the pleasure of a day's outing, catching fish for themselves and their friends . . . This situation has become progressively worse until today we find that in the season 1954-55 a total of 5,764 fishermen's licenses were sold as against 2581 licenses in 1949-50. The legitimate commercial fisherman, further aggravates this as in order to protect himself he will endeavor to set the maximum yardage of nets allowable as with the competition he is now experiencing today he must catch as much as possible in that first lift as there may not be another until the following year.

Opening day at some of our lakes would appear to some as a gala affair. Colorful with the many colored buoys and net markers, boats lined on the beach waiting for the hour of 8 a.m. on opening day, and then the race is on.

You have read of what happened only recently on Wamamun Lake near the city of Edmonton.

Here 1185 licenses were sold the limit was 300,000 lbs. the catch in two days was over 500,000 lbs.

Take the example of Fork Lake, just south and east of Lac la Biche Here the licenses sold in 1950 were seven in 1955-56, 55; and in 1956-57, 125 licenses. The catch in 1955-56 was 31,000 lbs. in one day while the limit this period was 15,000 lbs.

The limit on Fork Lake in 1956-57 was 17,000 lbs., however, in one day the catch was 19,500 lbs.

This performance is repeated over and over again. The fishermen are forced to fish in more and more lakes as they definitely cannot make a living on one day's catch in their respective areas, and with far away pastures always appearing greener, the Lac Ste. Anne fishermen come to Lac la Biche and our boys naturally enough pay them a return visit and so on down the line . . . so much so that practically everything that a fisherman earns is paid out in staggering costs of moving boats and equipment from lake to lake in his effort to earn a living.

Until recently domestic fishing licenses were issued on Fork Lake. These were recently discontinued and as a result, if the residents of this area wish to have any of this fish they too must purchase commercial fishing licenses, further aggravating the conditions outlined.

I suggest therefore, that if this method continues, the commercial fishermen will be forced out completely and controlled limits will become impossible as in one single lift through the staggering number of nets set, will double, triple and quadruple, in a single lift, the fair limit that may be set by fisheries officials.

I suggest therefore that the license fee of $5 00 is hardly adequate and that a more reasonable figure be set, a figure that will be substantial enough to discourage the opportunist looking for a quick buck, or the sportsman who uses the license for his personal pleasure at the expense of the commercial fisherman—yet a fee that would be in line with what a fisherman could in fairness be expected to pay. I suggest that the license would enable the fisherman to fish all lakes in Alberta for a 12-month period. I further suggest that consideration be given to the careful study re the opening of the seasons on the various lakes with a view to eliminating as far as possible the necessity of having to travel from lake to lake, completely out of one's own territory. That the system of domestic fishing licenses be continued in our remote areas but restricting the lift to say twice a month in the commercial fishing seasons with not more than 100 yards of net. That due consideration be given the needs of the fur farmers. In closing, may I further suggest that the royalty now payable on all export fish, which item totalled about $24,-500.00 in 1955-56 be cancelled henceforth.

. Motion whereas present commercial regulations are unsatisfactory in their relation to a sound conservation program and

Whereas they are wholly unfair to the commercial fisherman,

Be it resolved that the Fisheries Branch of the Department of Lands and Forests make a special study of this problem with an end of developing a fairer and more progressive commercial fishing policy for the province of Alberta.

May I point out to the Hon. Minister the dire need of a bridge in L.I.D. No. 121 at a point near Chard, and if the Hon. Minister will note that total grants to this I.D. in 1953 and '54 totalled only $113.18, I trust he will find it possible in this year's estimates to include this much needed bridge across the Christina river.

Re telephones, I am pleased to note the proposal of rural telephones new revolving fund to provide loans to rural telephone companies will be welcomed.

May I again bring to the Hon Minister's attention the urgent need of a direct line from Lac La Biche. The present service to Lac La Biche, though greatly improved, is far from satisfactory. May I suggest again the establishment of a toll office at Gourin, and last but not least sir, may I bring to the Hon. Minister's attention the matter of a telephone service promised to serve the residents of the areas, Lac La Biche, Craigend, Grandin, Brierville, Rich Lake and Helina. I am told, sir, that this service was promised very definitely some time in 1954, and a definite commitment made to them that your department would include this service in the department's 1955-56 budget. I am sorry to advise the Hon. Minister that this service was not introduced and I trust that this program will be included in the 1957-58 program.

And last but not least, the public accounts for the last fiscal year together with the estimates for the ensuing year will be presented for your most careful consideration. I believe that this particular section is one of the most important of the many responsibilities of we, the members of the opposition. It is this responsibility that has made me realize more than anything else that I too, am a very definite member of this government in the very important role of Member of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition. I am now convinced that a good strong and alert opposition is essential to good government.

And when I see the many valuable contributions made by the opposition in the past two years in this legislature, the study and concern shown by the opposition members studying these same public accounts, that I cannot help but express this thought for myself and for the people of Alberta, "Thank God for an opposition. May it always be good, and may it always be strong and may it always be alert."

Goose Lake

Dolly Tillapaugh who has been employed at Imperial Mills has returned home.

Robert York has returned home.

Mrs. John Bergheim, who has recently been ill has fully recovered.

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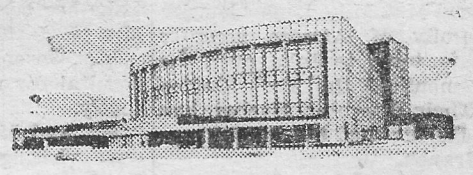

Programs to appeal to every taste have been arranged for presentation in the Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium, Edmonton, during Dedication Week, through the co-operation of the Edmonton Allied Arts Council.

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LOIS SMITH & DAVID ADAMS—Canada's Premiere Ballet Artists.
Matinee 2:30 p.m. Evening 8:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 1st — ETHNIC DAY
JACK CARSON—CONNIE TOWERS—THE WIERE BROTHERS.
Local Ethnic Program directed by Caroline McNicoll.
GOYA & MATTEO—"A World of Dancing."
Matinee 2:30 p.m. Evening 8:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 2nd — REVUE DAY
JACK CARSON — CONNIE TOWERS — WIERE BROTHERS.
Local entertainers directed by Jack Unwin and Dasha Goody.
Matinee 2:30 p.m. Evening 8:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 3rd — OPERA NIGHT
Bizet's opera "Carmen"—directed by Ray Phipps.
KARL NORMAN—Guest Vocalist.

SATURDAY, May 4th — JUBILEE DAY
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"Rustles Of Spring" Fashion Show Theme

LAC LA BICHE — The United Church Ladies' Aid held a highly successful annual "Rustles of Spring" fashion show on March 22, at 8:30 p.m. iln the Memorial Hall. The stage was beautifully decorated in white, pink and blue curtains set off with tulips; the ramp was decorated in black and bedecked with tulips.

Commentator for the evening was Mrs. Neil McKellar. "Thank you" to the following models: Mrs. T. Lett, Mrs. F. Harman, Mrs. A. Proctor, Mrs. Clark, Miss Rema Pruden, Miss Emmaline Pruden, Vivian Lemay, Faye Proctor, Vickie Sorochan, Joan Kibbe and Tillie Koerner.

Younger set: JoAnn Cadzow, Gloria McCormick, Chaaron Aabok, Margo Shanks, Darlene Cadzow, Sheila Mawson.

During the intermission the audience enjoyed Jack Olstad's skit, modelling shorts and bathing trunks, and a vocal solo. Elvis Presley arrived in the persons of Ronnie Powlowich and Dennis Therien, accompanied by Leo Gargas. They brought with them the famous "Marianne" and other numbers. Thank you, boys.

The ladies wish to thank the 5c to $1.00 Store and Robinson Store for supplying the clothing, also those who gave lunch donations. The conveners for the fashion show wish to thank Mrs. A. Proctor, Mrs. M. Patterson, Mrs. J. S. Lore, and all other members who helped make this evening a success.

Lac la Biche

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Leckochensky and family of Atmore recently moved to town to take over the management of the York Coffee Shop. Their daughter, Evelyn, has joined the staff of the local Treasury Branch.

A party to celebrate the birthdays of Vivienne Lemay and Faye Proctor was held at the Proctor home Friday evening, March 22. Some 25 young people enjoyed the evening, playing games and dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wagner and Miss Pauline Woynarowich of Edmonton, were guests at the E. J. Woynarowich home over the week-end.

A film on Cancer will be shown in the Dr. Swift School, April 16, at 9 p.m. All interested persons are urged to attend and bring a friend, who perhaps, isn't so interested.

Mike Franchuk, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Franchuk, is spending a week's visit at his home here. Mike, who has been employed by Canadian Comstock Co. as bookkeeper for the past six months, was stationed at McMurray where the construction company worked on the radio station. Mike is enjoying a short holiday before being transferred to some other point with the company.

In the recent report of the WI meeting held at the home of Mrs. W. Badry, it was erroneously reported that Mrs. McKellar acted as co-hostess. Mrs. L. Payne was the co-hostess. Apologies to the ladies in question.

Plamondon

Mrs. Alec Schaub has returned home from the General hospital, Edmonton, where she underwent surgery.

Mrs. Eugene Plamondon, Mrs. Charles Gaudet, Cecile Menard, Elizabeth Schaub, and Thomas Schaub were recent patients at St. Catherine's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Plamondon and family from McMurray have moved into the district recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Plamondon and Milferd have gone to Fort Smith, where they will be employed for some time. The cafe will remain closed until they return.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cadieux from Edmonton were recent visitors in the district.

Sympathy is extended to the Clifford Gauthier family on the loss of their son and brother Raymond, who was killed in an accident at Fort Smith, recently.

Lac la Biche Mission

Recent hospital patients have been Paul Paiseuto and Marcel Routhier.

The Bouvier brothers are sawing logs for the Oblate Fathers.

Mrs. Albert Gerard from Egg Lake has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. L. Tardif.

Mrs. Joseph Cloutier was at the hospital for medical treatment recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ladouceur were visiting relatives at Kikino, Sunday.

Ceremonies Open School Addition

The new addition to the Hylo School was officially opened when Mr. Filipchuk, school superintendent, cut the ribbon and dedicated the building to the future citizens, whose footsteps would tread the new floor.

Carl Keehn, president of the local school board, was master of ceremonies. Guest speakers were Mrs. John Cole, HSA vice-president; William Sachko, Hylo School principal; Mr. Benuik, divisional trustee; Mr. Williams, chairman of the Lac la Biche School District; and Mr. Filipchuk.

The short program that followed included a recitation by Donny Coli, an accordion solo by Ray Meardi; choral songs by Division 2, a piano solo by Grace Grandish, duet by Fay and Dale McEachern, and an instrumental duet by Wally and Alec Tichonuik.

Everyone then joined a singsong, led by Mrs. Olga Meardi.

Lunch was served, Mrs. J. Coli pouring at the table for the guests of honor and their wives.

Breynat

Mrs. Bill Ponich and Mrs. Steve Ponich spent a few days in St. Catherine's Hospital recently.

Steve Zajonc completed sawing lumber and is now moving the lumber to his home.

Mike Karpetz attended the 10-car bingo in Edmonton.

An old-timer, Jim Tyre, here for 30 years, is now making his home at Rochfort Bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Bjorgan have returned to their home in Lac la Biche, after spending the winter at the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karpetz have moved to Edmonton where they will reside.

Curling is going full speed at the rink at Wandering River, while the ice lasts.

John Andersons Wed 47 Years

RICH LAKE—A party was held at the Neil Anderson home on the occasion of the annersary of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, parents of Mr. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were married at Pakan in 1910.

Mr. Anderson is a district old-timer, having hauled mail from Edmonton to Lac la Biche by team before the railway was built.

Mrs. Anderson is the former Clara Whitford.

They have four sons, Frank, Neil, Bill and Stanley; three daughters Dorothy, Noreen and Lotty; and eight grandchildren.

Their daughter, Dorothy, brought a decorated cake from Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson reside chiefly at Rich Lake, but are in Edmonton at present.

Owl River

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Diesel of Wandering River visited their the west part of the community recently. Their daughters Jacqueline and Kathy accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Sykes, teachers of Owl River school No. 2, have been guests at the F. Thompson home several times during the month.

Grassland

The municipal nurse announces that Polio Clinics will be held at the following points: Spruce Valley, April 2, 9:30-10:30 a.m.; Grassland, April 5, 1-3 p.m.; Atmore, April 9, 9-11 a.m. Donatville, April 15, 10-11 a.m.

Nick Nypiuk, home again, plans to work on the DEW line this summer.

Donations to the Red Cross may be left at the Nurses' Home, Grassland, at any time.

D. S. Semeniuk has returned from Oshawa, Ont., after flying to Detroit, Mich. on business.

The chicken supper, held at Grassland Community Hall recently, resulted in a profit of $235.10 that was given to the Red Cross.

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Notice

Preparation of Assessment Roll, 1957

Town of Lac La Biche

Notice is hereby given that the assessment of the previous year has been adopted under the provisions of The Assessment Act, and that the assessment roll of the said municipality has been duly prepared, and that if any person thinks that any property has been wrongfully assessed, or assessed too high, or too low, or that his name or the name of any other person has been wrongfully entered upon or omitted from the roll, he may at any time prior to the 30th day of April, notify the secretary-treasurer in writing of the particulars and grounds of his complaint.

Dated at Lac la Biche, this 30th day of March, 1957.

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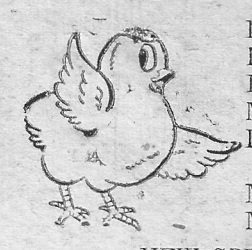

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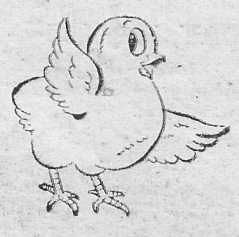

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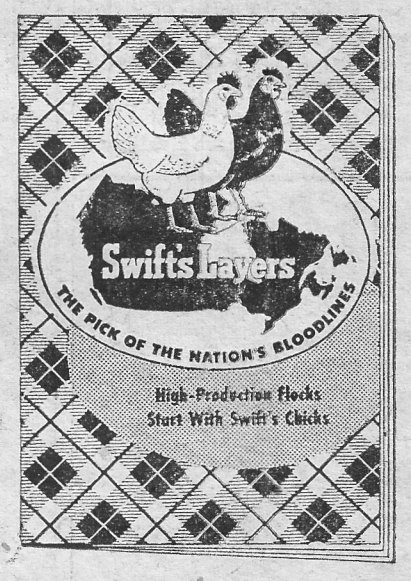

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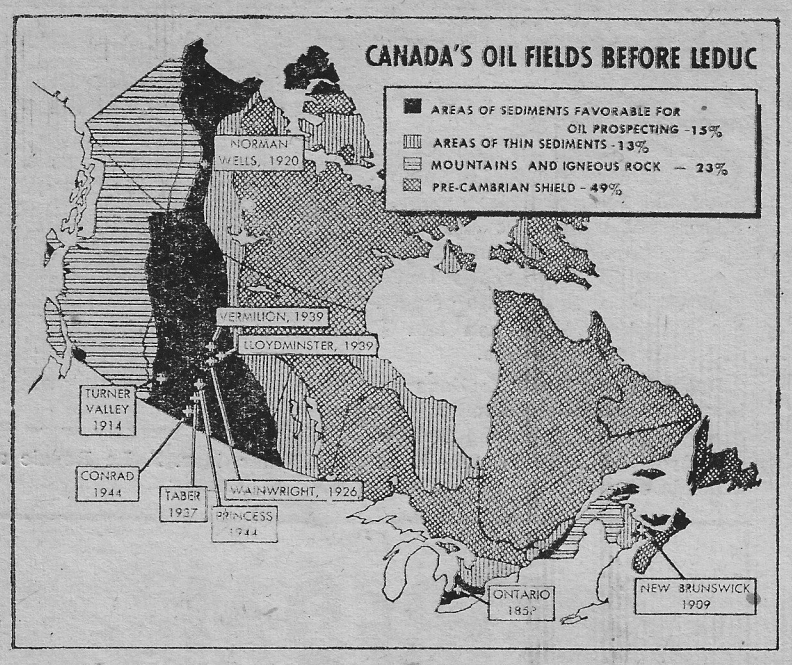

BEFORE THE DISCOVERY of oil at Leduc in February, 1947, Canada had only two oil fields of any significant size. One was Norman Wells, N.W.T., which was too remote to serve populated areas. The other, Turner Valley, had been producing oil since 1936 and was declining.

Caslan Colony News

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ladouceur and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ladouceur and three children were visiting at the home of Charlie Boucher on Sunday.

The public health nurse was at the Colony school last Wednesday to give polio shots to the children.

Albert Mercier motored from Widewater to Caslan. His wife and son Randy, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Boucher for the past three weeks, will return with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilaire Ladoucer and family of Lac la Biche Mission were visiting at the Colony on Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Narciss Ladoucer who was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Boucher.

Although there are over 400 know chemicals that will cause cancer in animals or in humans, scientists still do not know how these agents work.

Brother, Sister Die In Car - Truck Collision At Ellerslie Corner

Richard Treichel was killed instantly and his sister, Bertha, died an hour afterward as result of a car-truck collision at the Ellerslie corner, six miles south of Edmonton, about 11:30 p.m., March 21.

Injured in the collision were Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ansorger, brother-in-law, and sister to the Treichels, and their daughter, Crystal. Mrs. Ansorger is still hospitalized in Edmonton. Her husband and daughter have been released.

Provincial coroner Dr. M. M. Cantor has not yet said when an inquest will be held.

Miss Treichel, 43, died in the hospital, where she was taken after the collision.

A reporter for the SUN for a number of years, she was also organist in her church, an active member of the Luther League, the Sunday School and Ladies' Aid.

Mr. Treichel, 36, was also an active church member. Since youth he played regularly in the church band and sang in the church choir. He was a member of Luther League and for about two years had been training the 10-to-17-year old boys for band.

Mr. and Miss Treichel and Mrs. Ansorger are children of Mr. and Mrs. J. Treichel.

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pproximately 200 new cases of cancer appear each year in every 100,000 population. This means that during 1957 Canada, with a population of 10,000,000, approximately 32,000 persons will develop cancer. Some of these will be cured by radiation and surgery. Many more could be cured if they detected cancer symptoms early and reported for treatment immediately.

Hospital News

Admissions to St. Catherine's Hospital, March 22 - 28, inclusive, are as follows. Lionel Turgeon, Normandeau; Archie Howey, Barrhead; Mrs. John Oshanyk, Wandering River; Mrs. Lionel Vincent, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Harry Patenaude, Caslan; Jane Owchar, Hylo; Anna L'Heureux, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Margaret Fischer, Atmore; Frank Brodowski, Maggie Cardinal, Garlene Arnfinson, Mrs. John Konowalchuk, Lac la Biche; Emile Turgeon, Normandeau; Mrs. Francis Parent, Wesley Fournel, Mrs Joseph Bonafacio, Lac la Biche; Delphine Larocque, Barnegat; Elaine Waine, Rich Lake; Joan Janvier Chard; Annie Joyce Desjarlais, Lac la Biche; Pete Nowicki, Craigend; Mrs. Nick Luc, Plamondon; John C. Whitford, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Joe Cloutier, Mission; John Prince, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Jean LeRouzic, Atmore; Miles Arnfinson, Edna Tremblay, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Eugene Plamondon Plamondon; Louise Dixon, Drayton Valley; Elizabeth Lewisky, Virginia, Lewisky, Loveth Lewisky, Hylo; Mrs. Annie Kanzig, Atmore.

Spruce Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kanarek and Roman Bizon motored to Athabasca on Wednesday to receive dental care.

Mr. and Mrs. John Duban of Edmonton visited at their farm here recently.

Elsie Yurchak was a guest of Mary Onischuk at Grassland last week-end.

Walter Shwedo underwent a surgical operation in the Misericordia Hospital at Edmonton.

Mike Chomiak and W. Szwedo are patients in the Misericordia Hospital.

Visitors to the S. Kanarek home during the week were the F. Flackas, Mr. and Mrs. Lewicki and Mr. Gagnon of Prosperity.

Victoria Bizon was staying at the Stan Kanarek home last week

Many district and surrounding district people attended the meeting at the Spruce Valley Hall on Sunday.

Mrs Joe Shymoniak and Edward, and Stanley Matoga and Edward Shymoniak attended the 10-car bingo at the Gardens, but were unlucky.

Mr. and Mrs. John Duban of Edmonton were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Homeniuk and family on Wednesday.

Peter Homeniuk, Ann Kanarek and Joe Yurchak were recent visitors to Edmonton.

Buys Own Sink

OSTEGO, Mich (BUP) — They stole the kitchen sink from Mrs. Dan Slack. She bought another second-hand. It fitted so well, Mrs. Slack began matching its nicks and stains against her memory. Police said three men are under arrest — for stealing it and selling it back.

POLITICAL METAPHOR

To mix a neat metaphor, would you say that the house afire which a candidate starts running like is something dashed by the water which he insists on carrying on both shoulders? — St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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Zoning By-Law Comes Under Fire At Town Counillors' Meeting

LAC LA BICHE — All members of town council were present for the regular meeting last Tuesday evening to deal with a variety of matters which kept them busy until almost midnight.

The much discussed subject of zoning was again introduced when the secretary read a letter from the Town Planning Branch, making it clear that it was the intention of the town's zoning by-law to prohibit the building of dwellings in the commercial zone. One ratepayer was present to complain that the by-law was unjust because it retarded the sale of lots in the commercial zone, which would otherwise sell well as residential lots. Councillors took the view that much study and preparation had gone into the present zoning plan, and that although in some cases it might appear unfair at present, the time might come soon when the townspeople would be thankful such a plan had been put into effect to control the orderly growth of the town.

A complaint was also voiced by a businessman to the effect that certain large trucks were frequently parked on sections of the main street, thus blocking the way for lighter vehicles as well as making it inconvenient for shoppers. The secretary was asked to bring the matter to the attention of the police constable.

This being the first meeting since the recent town election at which Councillor Maccagno was able to be present, Mr. Maccagno was sworn in as councillor. Ratification was given to action taken at the previous meeting, setting dates for regular meetings for the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

With unanimous consent of all council, three readings were given to By-law No. 281, authorizing the taking of the census of the town.

Approval was given to plans for improvements to the Imperial Oil bulk station.

Increases of $15.00 per month in the salaries of the secretary-treasurer and the town foreman were granted, to be effective from April 1.

The assessment of lands, buildings and improvements for 1956 was adopted for use in 1957.

The secretary's bond was presented for examination, and found to be for $5,000.00, with the date of expiry, June 28, 1957.

An application from a ratepayer for consolidation of tax arrears was heard and approval given.

An application was heard from a local resident asking for permission to operate a taxi. Council had no objection to granting permission, providing all requirements of the Highway Traffic Board were complied with.

A letter was read from the secretary of the WI library, asking that the town give consideration to making a grant to the library as in former years and expressing the hope that consideration will also be given to providing more suitable quarters for the library.

One ratepayer was present to urge the council to institute a garbage pick-up service in the town. The question was the subject of quite a lengthy discussion, and council stated that serious and further consideration into ways and means of meeting the cost of the service would be continued.

Another ratepayer had a complaint to make about the town hitching-rack for horses being located too near the centre of the town and constituting a public nuisance. The matter was referred to the public works committee to look for a more suitable place.

Venice

Paul Lemieux, from Newbrook, spent a week at the home of Arthur Macor.

Father Bec, accompanied by Mrs. Mike Biollo and two sons, Victor and Leslie, motored to Edmonton last week.

Henry Rossi and Victor Biollo have returned home after working at Piven's tie camp.

Tony Rossi is home after working in Edmonton for a few weeks.

THE Homemaker

By Doris Montalbetti

What You Should Know About Stew

To begin with stew is one of the most popular ways of serving meat. Who doesn't like a hearty honest-to-goodness stew? Men will rate a tasty stew high on the preference list. Something else in the stew's favor is that you can use the inexpensive cuts of meat (often the tastiest) and end up with a dish that is wonderful eating and hard to beat.

The question is how many people make a good stew? Anybody can put a bit of meat in a pot, add a few vegetables, cook it up and call it stew. And unfortunately end up with an uninteresting, tasteless, unimaginative dish that would leave any palate cold. A stew worthy of its name must be prepared lovingly with gentle cooking and frequent tasting. The secret of a truly great stew is the seasoning.

Here's a recipe that should rate your stew as the product of nothing less than that of a gourmet. Heat 2 lbs. beef chuck (cut in inch cubes) in a heavy kettle with 3 tbsp. of fat. Brown meat on all sides until dark brown. Dust ¼ cup of flour on the meat and shake the kettle until the flour is slightly brown. Add 2 quarts of meat stock or water with beef cubes dissolved in it. To this add: ¼ tsp. pepper; ¼ tsp. thyme; 1 tbsp. salt; 1 green pepper cut in stripes, 4 sprigs of parsley; 2 stalks of celery (chopped) 1 slice of onion; 1 bay leaf; ¼ clove garlic.

Cover kettle tightly and let the stew simmer about 1½ hours. Then add 1 lb. of white onions, 4 carrots cut lengthwise and 4 medium potatoes. Cook until vegetables and meat are really tender about ¾ hour. Serve with or without dumplings. You can add ¼ cup red wine if you like.

But whatever your feelings are towards this dish remember stew can reach the highest and the lowest levels of culinary art—it all depends on you.

Atmore

Marjorie Walker of Grassland spent the week-end at the Shank home visiting Verna.

Lawrence Shank spent last week-end visiting his chum, Richard Lechokensky, at the York Hotel, Lac la Biche.

Ronnie Matheson was a business visitor to Edmonton last Monday.

Stan Ballard returned home from Stettler last week.

Mrs. Allan Baldwin of Edmonton visited Grandma Baldwin last week.

Hospitalized recently were Mrs. M. Fisher, Mrs. J. Le Rouzic and Mrs. A. Kanzig.

LIBERAL NOMINATING CONVENTION

Athabasca Federal Constituency

Lac la Biche

Legion Hall

WEDNESDAY, April 10, 1957

7:00 p.m.

(Registration of Delegates will begin at 4:00 p.m.)

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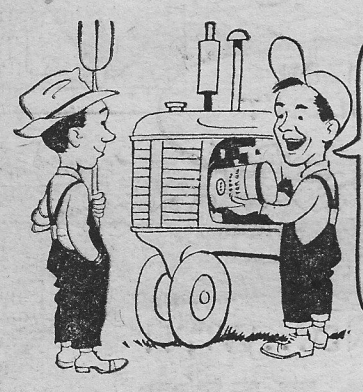

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